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Subject:

Reported Court-Martialing of Marshals  
Zhukov and Novikov

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Comment: The following report is believed to contain false information but it is being forwarded to you for the interest it may hold as another piece in the series of peculiar stories about Zhukov circulated in the past year, since his transfer to Odessa. The most recent reports concerning Zhukov are as follows:

- a. 29 March 1947: Attended a memorial service for Fedorenko in the company of Stalin and other high officials.
- b. 21 May 1947: Sentenced to prison for plotting against the Soviet Union; report denied and origin of the story not identified.
- c. 7 June 1947: Participated in maneuvers in the Black Sea area

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1. Senior Soviet headquarters are said to have been informed officially a few months ago that Marshal Georgi Konstantinovich Zhukov and Marshal Alexander A. Novikov, Chief of the Soviet Air Force, had been court-martialled by the Central Committee of the Communist Party.
2. They were accused of using their position to enrich themselves personally. Zhukov was specifically accused of sending home 2,000 kg. of gold and several train-loads (sic) of furniture, carpets, silverware and other material. Both were demoted, but remain officers of junior rank. Zhukov is reported to be serving as a regimental officer in the Urals.
3. In the Supreme Command order, it was particularly stressed that the officers concerned were in no way suspect politically.

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